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4 October 1951

INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting held in Director's
Conference Room, Administration Building
Central Intelligence Agency, on 4 October 1951

Director of Central Intelligence
*General Walter Bedell Smith
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Jr., Special Assistant, Intelligence,
Department of State
Major General A. R. Bolling, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2,
Department of the Army
Rear Admiral Felix L. Johnson, Director of Naval Intelligence,
Department of the Navy
Major General Charles P. Cabell, Director of Intelligence,
Headquarters, United States Air Force
Dr. Malcolm C. Henderson, acting for Director of Intelligence,
Atomic Energy Commission
Colonel S. M. Lansing, acting for Deputy Director for
Intelligence, The Joint Staff
Mr. Victor P. Keay, acting for Assistant to the Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation

ALSO PRESENT

*Mr. Allen W. Dulles, Central Intelligence Agency
Dr. William L. Langer, Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. Ludwell L. Montague, Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. Loftus Becker, Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. W. N. Morell, Jr., Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. H. C. Dees, Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. Paul Borel, Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. Allen Dines, Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. William C. Tricheart, Department of State
Colonel O. P. Sykes, Department of the Army
Colonel G. F. Coverdale, Department of the Army
Colonel M. B. DePass, Department of the Army
Lieut. Colonel J. T. Mozely, Department of the Army
Captain Ray Malpass, USN, Department of the Navy
Colonel J. F. Pinkney, Department of the Air Force
Colonel H. J. Kielsing, Department of the Air Force
Colonel Jack E. Thomas, Department of the Air Force
Captain R. G. McCool, USN, The Joint Staff
Colonel John C. Kilborn, The Joint Staff
Colonel Henry C. Ahalt, U.S. Member, Intelligence Committee,
Standing Group of NATO

Robert E. Long
Acting Secretary
Intelligence Advisory Committee

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Approval of Minutes

1. Action: The minutes of the meeting of 27 September 1951 (IAC-M-46) were approved with the deletion in the first and second lines on Page 2 of the words, "and possibly" and "and intentions."

Estimate of Strength and
Capabilities of Soviet
Bloc Forces to Conduct
Operations of NATO. (SE-16)

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2. Action: This estimate was approved with minor changes and with new paragraphs 2a, 11, and 36.

It was agreed that this estimate would not be published but would be sent to the JIC for use in discussions with the British and French through the Intelligence Committee of the NATO Standing Group. State, CIA and the three Military Services named representatives to sit with this tripartite group in writing a combined estimate. Admiral Johnson was designated as the intelligence chief available for consultation in connection with this project.

3. Discussion: The principle discussion centered around Paragraph 2a of the estimate and the rising curve of internal tensions that are expected to develop in the Soviet Union in the event of war. An attempt was made to identify the stage at which these tensions would pose a serious obstacle to Soviet ability to sustain a major war effort.

4. It was understood that the U. S. should not discuss this estimate bilaterally with either the French or British prior to the tripartite discussion. This would not, however, prevent various U. S. intelligence officers from talking informally on specific points with either the British or French.

Proposed Estimates

5. Action: It was decided to undertake an estimate on as proposed by the JIC. CIA will rephrase the G-2 proposal for an estimate on strategic areas and materials and will resubmit it for discussion at a later meeting.

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